

October 25, 2026

Consecration Sunday



A Wonder-Full Life

*Looking with
Gratitude*

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Acts 4:32-35



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Today's Worship Leaders
Rev. Teri Crouse, Senior Pastor
Linda Needham, Worship Leader
Dr. Andrew Crow, Director of Music
Dr. Sally Kang, Organist
Joy Bricker, Director of Children's, Youth,
and Family Ministries
Joseph Bricker & Esther Furlong, Acolytes

WE GATHER

Announcements

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Storer Memorial Carillon

Prelude

Steal Away, by Marianne Kim

Jenny Donnelly, organ

*Processional Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hymn #384

*Call to Worship

Linda Needham

Leader: We gather today as a community born of God's great love. With the whole company of believers, we are called to be of one heart and one soul.

All: None of us walks alone. God binds us together in unity and peace.

Leader: Look around at the family God has gathered. The grace of God is upon us all, and Christ's resurrection power is at work in our midst.

All: We bring our whole selves, our varied gifts, and our shared lives to honor God.

Leader: Let us open our hands and hearts to one another, rejoicing that God shows us how to provide for every need through a generous spirit of love.

All: With joy and bold witness, let us worship God together!

*Welcome & Greeting

Pastor Teri

*Passing of the Peace

WE PROCLAIM

Children's Moment

Children are invited forward for a lesson with Pastor Teri. Afterward, the children are invited to Children's Church with Ms. Joy. Please pick up your children from G1 immediately following the service.

Anthem

Wana Baraka, Kenyan worship song, arr. Shawn L. Kirchner

Sanctuary Choir

Sung in Swahili, meaning:

J.K Njenga, congas

They have blessings, those who pray;

Jesus himself said so, Alleluia!

They have peace...

They have joy...

They have well-being...

Prayer for Illumination

Linda Needham

* Indicates the congregation should stand in body or spirit

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-35 (Common English Bible edition)

The community of believers was one in heart and mind. None of them would say, "This is mine!" about any of their possessions, but held everything in common. The apostles continued to bear powerful witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and an abundance of grace was at work among them all. There were no needy persons among them. Those who owned properties or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds from the sales, and place them in the care and under the authority of the apostles. Then it was distributed to anyone who was in need.

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Wonder-Full Life: Looking With Gratitude

Pastor Teri

WE RESPOND

Stewardship Moment

Linda Ferguson

Prayer Concerns & Community Life

Linda Needham

Congregational Call to Prayer

Let Us Pray for Peace, text by Nancy Kraft

*Lord we pray for peace,
for the healing of creation.
May your truth and justice mend ev'ry breach;
may we learn to live as one.*

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God, we use a lot of words, but do little to turn them into deeds. Instead of being of one heart and mind, we choose sides and form groups of folks who are just like us. Blessed with great grace, we have trouble sharing it with those who need it most. Forgive us, God of love. Forgive us, as we step out of our shadows into your light. Restore us, as we reveal our brokenness. Hear us, as we proclaim that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. Amen. .

Words of Assurance

Leader: We declare this Good News: God leads us out of the shadows to walk in the light of Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: We have heard this Good News: our faithful God forgives our sins and raises us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Brief Time of Silent Prayer

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn #895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Response to Prayer

Sanctuary Choir, led by Aiden Clemenz

Call to the Giving Life

Pastor Teri

Offertory

Sunshine in My Soul, arr. Mark Hayes

Dr. Sally Kang, piano

*Doxology

Hymn #95

*Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE ARE SENT FORTH

*Closing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Hymn #451

*Dismissal with Blessing

Choral Benediction

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

Sanctuary Choir

Postlude

Joyeux! arr. Martin Eliis

Dr. Sally Kang, organ

Sermon Notes

Thank you for worshiping with us this week.

Church Announcements

Announcements - Announcements may be submitted at bit.ly/announcementsmunciehighstreet. They must be in by Tuesday morning.

Trunk or Treat - This afternoon in our parking lot, 3:30-4:30 pm. Please bring candy donations to the office. We can also use more "trunks" to hand out candy. See Ms. Joy for more information. All youth are encouraged to come and participate in place of Project 219.

Charge Conference - Tonight, at 6 pm here at High Street. All are invited to attend; church leadership is asked to attend. Our new district superintendent, Rev. Karen Koelsch, will be leading this event.

Time Change - We "fall back" on Nov. 1 (NEXT SUNDAY). Don't forget to set your clocks back Saturday night, Oct. 31.

New Members Class - We plan to hold a New Members class on Saturday, November 7, 9 am-2 pm (ish). If you're interested in becoming a member of High Street (or learning more about Methodism), please sign up in the office.

Call to Generosity - There are many ways to respond to God's love through your giving:

- In-person, by placing offerings in plates as ushers come through
- Text 765/222-5007
- Online: highstreetumc.breezechms.com/give/online (or scan the QR code below)
- Set up an automatic bank withdrawal through Diana (church office)
- Drop off in person during church office hours (and say Hi! while you're here)

SNAPSHOT for Giving/Missions as of 10/18/26

Budget: \$544,554 (\$45,380/mo). Pledged: \$330,134 (\$27,511/mo).

Weekly Giving	\$8,094.50
October Income:	\$70,530.58
October Expenses as of 10/18/26:	\$20,072.47
Inc. YTD 2026 // Exp. YTD 2026:	\$425,232.93*// \$298,680.99
YTD Mission Pantry:	\$5,700.00
YTD Mission Samaritan:	\$3,188.00



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Attendance for October 18, 2026:

In-person worship: 128

Social Media views online: 76

Grand Total for Worship: 204

**Includes \$3,127.52 from a grant for the church from the Gladys Hendricks Trust,
plus two one-time extravagant gifts in February & July*

Sunday Schedule

Coffee Bar	before and after the 10 am service
Bethany Sunday School	8:45 - 9:45 am
Children's Sunday School	9:00 am
Traditional Worship Service	10:00 am
It's All About Jesus (Adult Sunday School)	11:15 am
Project 219	5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Food Pantry Needs

Canned Beans; red, black, pinto and pork and beans
Rice #1 bags
Peanut Butter 16 oz
Diced tomatoes 16 oz
Vegetables canned 16 oz

